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David,

Thank you for sharing the letter. It is a well organized summary of what we know so far about paleontological resources in both Bears Ears and Grand Staircase Escalante National Monuments.

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On Thu, May 25, 2017 at 9:31 PM, Polly, P. David <[pdpolly@indiana.edu](mailto:pdpolly@indiana.edu)> wrote:

Dear Scott, Vince, ReBecca, Alan, and Jim,  
We just submitted comments from SVP for the review of national monument boundaries since 1996. For now we have only commented on Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante because of the short deadline imposed by the White House for recommendations on those two properties. As you might imagine, SVP is against shrinking the boundaries of either monument because of the important paleontological resources there, and we are in favor of expanding the boundaries of Bears Ears.

I presume everyone except Jim will eventually get a copy of our comments, but I am attaching them here so you will have them if needed.

Thank you all for the service you provide to the science of paleontology through your jobs. As our comments indicate, good public land management is invaluable to paleontology.

With very best wishes,  
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